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Application No. 10/643,151 )  
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Filed: 08/19/2003 )  
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For: PHOTOCHEMICAL TRANSFORMATION )  
OF METALLIC AND NON-METALLIC IONS )  
IN AN AQUEOUS ENVIRONMENT )

**ELECTION OF SPECIES**

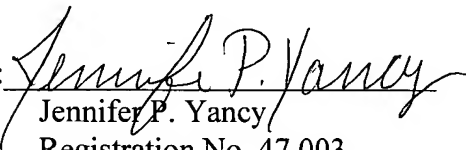
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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement mailed to the undersigned in the subject U.S. Patent application on January 30, 2006, applicant, through the undersigned attorney, elects to prosecute, in this application, the species of group (i), methods of synthesizing an alkyl metal compound, in the event that no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Claims 1-13 are generic.

Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications in the event that no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. An early and favorable Office Action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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